

## REPUBLICA DE CHILE Ministerio De Relaciones Exteriores

4 February 2016

Ambassador Michael Froman United States Trade Representative 600 17<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20508 United States of America

## Dear Ambassador Froman:

I have the honor to confirm the following understanding reached between representatives of the Government of the Republic of Chile (Chile) and the Government of the United States of America (United States) during the negotiation of the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement:

- 1) Chile and the United States shall work together to finalize, by no later than six months from the date of this letter, Chile's recognition of the compartment, as approved by the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, for salmonid eggs in the U.S. state of Washington. By no later than eight months from the date of this letter, Chile and the United States shall establish a protocol allowing the importation into Chile of salmonid eggs from this compartment.
- 2) After Chile and the United States approve the protocol, Chile shall conduct a verification visit of the compartment without undue delay. If the verification visit verifies the compartment's compliance with Chilean regulations, Chile shall approve the importation into Chile of salmonid eggs from the compartment without undue delay.
- 3) Chile and the United States shall intensify their work on a protocol that will allow Chile to assess the possibility of permitting the importation into Chile of salmonid eggs from any approved compartment in the U.S. state of Maine, with a view to agreeing on such a protocol within eighteen months of the date of this letter.

I have the honor to propose that this letter and your letter in reply confirming that your Government shares this understanding shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments, which shall enter into force on the date of your letter in reply.

Sincerely,

ANDRES REBOLLEDO Vice Minister for Trade

## EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE WASHINGTON, D.C. 20508

February 4, 2016

The Honorable Andres Rebolledo Vice Minister for Trade Ministry of Foreign Affairs Santiago, Chile

Dear Vice Minister Rebolledo:

I am pleased to acknowledge your letter of February 4, 2016, which reads as follows:

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Sincerely, Homan Froman Ambassador Michael B. G. Froman